

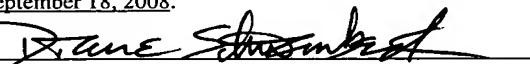
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For: IMAGE OUTPUT CONTROL SYSTEM, ) Confirmation No. 4567  
IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE, AND )  
IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD ) Date: September 18, 2008

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Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, a copy of the non-U.S. reference of which is attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicant submits these references in compliance with his duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449 at the appropriate locations.

References A, B, and J were cited in a counterpart European application. For the Examiner's use and information, a copy of the Supplemental European Search Report is attached (please note that JP 62-176371 is already of record in this application).

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed before the first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fees are due in connection with the filing of this IDS. In the event it is determined that fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-0805 (Order No. MIPFP179).

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